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By Order of the Board, D. GILLIES,

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Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for War-

> By Order of the Directors. LOUIS HAUSCHILD,

Secretary. Hongkong, 29th July, 1881.

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Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for War-

By order of the Board of Directors. P. A. DA COSTA,

Secretary. Hongkong, 28th July, 1881.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 30th July, 1881. HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Domestic Notices, if properly authenticated, will he inserted free of charge.

THE Wongkong Telegraph.

Hongkong, 5th August, 1881.

With reference to a paragraph in our vesterday's issue regarding the Coroner's Inquest of the previous day, in which the proceedings were confined to simply viewing the body, and fixing a date for an adjourned meeting, to suit the convenience of a solicitor who had been retained to watch the case, but whose other professional engagements prevented his being present; we would beg to utter in the most forcible manner our protest against such practices. Coroner's Inquests are of as important a nature as are those of other legally constituted tribunals, and jurors who have to attend these enquiries, which by the way, are held at a distance from the business part of the town, are often compelled to do so at much inconvenience and loss of valuable time. We venture to submit that to postpone an enquiry of this nature, and compel the reassembling of the jury, entailing a still further loss, for no other reason than to suit the purpose of a gentleman who is engaged elsewhere—profitably engaged—is rather more than should be expected of even the most patient ratepayer. It is the undoubted duty of every citizen to render a certain amount of service to the state, in acknowledgment of the protection he receives, and the security he lives under, and on the other hand it is the business of the officers administering to this security and protection, to see that public matters are not allowed to be delayed so as to increase unnecessarily the duties devolving on jurors. When a solicitor has business on hand which compels his attendance in one court, it is clearly unfair of him_to-accept_other_responsibilities, more particularly in the case of inquests, which are necessarily convened at as early an hour as possible after the occurrence which necessitates their being held. Inquests often have to be adjourned for various reasons, to procure more satisfactory evidence and the like, and jurors willingly give their time to adjournments under such circumstances without a murmur; but it is rather too much to remand an enquiry before a tittle of evidence has been taken, simply to suit the

convenience of a solicitor who has virtually entered into engagements he is unable to properly fulfil. A man has been arrested in connection with the death, the circumstances attending which it will be the duty of the jury to inquire into, and as a serious charge may be hanging over that man's head, it is no doubt of the most vital importance to the interests of all concerned that his legal adviser should be present throughout the entire proceedings. If Mr. Mossop was unable to be present at the hour fixed for the enquiry, it was most clearly his duty to have declined the retainer and allowed some other gentleman to undertake the case.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is notified that a mail for Bangkok will close at Singapore at 2 p.m. tomorrow the 6th instant.

The "Italian Night" Entertainment at Kowloon, advertised in our front page has been postponed from to-day, until Tuesday August 9th.

We note from the Shanghai papers that an appeal is being made in the model settlement on behalf of the shipwrecked crew of the Annie S. Hall, who lost the whole of their clothing and effects by the foundering of that vessel. They are now in Shanghai and contributions of any description are being solicited for them.

We regret to hear by the English mail of the death of Charles Dillon, the well known actor, which occurred on the 24th June at Hawick, Scotland, where he was fulfilling a professional engagement. Mr. Dillon, who had performed Othello at the Exchange Hall the previous evening, was walking along the High-street, apparently in good health, when he suddenly dropped down dead; doubtless from disease of the heart. The deceased was in his sixty second year.

The steamer Foothow arrived from Chinkiang yesterday evening and reports having passed an American built vessel in latitude 28° 17' N., and longitude 121° 50' E., with both anchors down and sides bursting from the stern post. This is no doubt the remains of the illfated Annie S. Hall reported on the 26th ultimo by Captain Croad of the Fu-yew, in latitude 28° 17' N., and longitude 121° 53' E. The Foochow rounded to with the view of towing the wreck out of the track of coasting vessels but found it quite impossible to do anything in that way.

Surely our morning contemporary must be aware that the gunboats belonging to the Protective Service of the Canton Commissioner of Customs are no longer commanded by the European gentlemen whose names appear in the Daily Press of this date! A considerable time has elapsed since the appointment of Chinese officers: special comments on the important changes thus made have appeared both in our columns and in those of the China Mail; but still the Press is contented to allow gross blunders to appear day after day. Old age may fail one of these days to prove a sufficient excuse for this slovenly style of journalism.

The rumours we published yesterday to the effect that the Irish Land Bill had passed the second reading in the house of Lords, and that Ayoub Khan had occupied Candahar have been confirmed. The Upper House would appear to have recognised in good time that discretion in this case would be the better part of valour. The occupation of Candahar by Ayoub Khan-sooms-to-indicate-that-the Ameerwill hardly be able to maintain supremacy at Cabul without British protection and assistance, as there can be little doubt that Ayoub is backed up by Russia.

We are pleased to hear that a telegram received from London yesterday, places the recovery of the President of the United States beyond doubt. The particulars received from Australia, which we published a few days ago, had prepared us for a result, which will give infinite satisfaction throughout the civilised world.

Our Straits Times Extra having apparently miscarried, we take the following items from The Daily Press:-

Sophia, 13th July. The Prince of Bulgaria has issued a proclamation respecting reforms in the public service.

The Assembly will annually decide the budget, and all international questions will be settled by that body.

Tunis, 24th July. French emissaries at Tripoli have been arrested. The Porte has explain. ed that reinforcements sent to Tripoli were despatched for purely administrative measures.

Paris, 15th July. The National fêtes held to-day have been observed throughout France with great enthusiasm.

London, 15th July. Clauses 25 and 26 of the Irish Land Bill have passed the Committee of the House of Commons. After the signature of the latter clause Mr. Gladstone strongly denounced the tactics of the extreme Home Rulers which in his opinion degraded the House.

London, 16th July. In the House of Lords last night a debate took place relating to the Transvaal affairs. Lord Carnarvon attacked the policy of the Government.

Earl Kimberley said it was inexpedient at the present time to make a statement on several points in connection with the Transvaal. British troops, he said, will remain to enforce if necessary, the decisions of the Royal Commission now sitting. A subcommission will be appointed to adjudicate loyalist claims for compensation, and the natives, he added, would not be overlooked.

Tunis, 17th July. Later particulars regarding the capture of Sfax, state that the capture was effected by the Naval brigade landed from the French Squadron. The insurgents offered a determined resistance, and their losses were heavy. The loss in killed and wounded on the French side amounted to fifty. The French troops subsequently landed.

Paris, 17th July. Don Carlos has been expelled from France, being accused of participation in Legitimist intrigues.

London, 18th July. Agitation among agricultural labourers in Ireland is reviving.

LATEST INDIAN NEWS.

Quetta, 3rd July. There is no fresh news of much importance from Kandahar or Herat. Ayub Khan apparently is still at Puli-Malan, pushing on his proparations for a move, pending the arrival of Meer Afzul from Meshed; while Hashim Khan is quietly collecting revenue at Bakwa. Ayub Khan intends, it is said, to leave Musa Jan and the Luinab Khushdil Khan, in charge of Herat, when he leaves. He may be expected to march before the end of this month; for he is not by any means beaten yet.

From Kandahar it is reported that the Maliks of Washir, Fulad, Naozad, Siyah Pushteh, and Dosang have been into Kandahar, and received khillats.

Simla, 5th July, It is reported from Kandahar that the Amir has ordered his troops to advance on Farrah, and that a reinforcement of Sowars has been sent to Taiwara and some Infantry from Ghazni was expected at Kandahar.

Allahabad, 8th July. The news from Kandahar is that the Ameer has directed Kazi Saduddin and Sahibzada Gulam Haider to advance slowly on Farrah with the Girishk troops, and ordered Sirdar Shamsuddin to send the Herat Chiefs, Adulla Khan Taimuni and Ismail Khan Taimuni, brother of Ambia Khan, with 500 sowars, fully equipped and plenty of money, to effect a junction with Ambia Khan in Taiwara and assist him in stirring up the Horat provinces.

A regiment armed with breech-loaders has left Kabul for Kandahar, and another will shortly follow.

have engaged to furnish a contingent | Captain Chester put into the bands of of 5,000 men for an attack on Herat, Stevens & Co. a letter, to the effect that | appropriate to distinguish in this manand agreeably to a special request for the charter had been entered into under a leader from the Char Aimak tribes | authority from him, and that he conthe Ameer has sent Sirdar Abdul sidered himself fully justified under his Kadur Khan to Herat, via Maimenah, instructions in the event of telegraphic with 500 horsemen. If Ayub has left | communication being interrupted. Herat, it is thought these arrangements are rather too late to be of much strength of the verbal agreement, had avail, and it is doubtful if the Wali of advertised the ship and obtained both

Maimenah would let Abdul Kadur Khan pass.

Dissensions continue among the Ameer's representatives at Kandahar and Girishk. Kazi Saduddin has quarrelled with the Governor of Girishk, Sidar Gul Mahomed Khan, who, on account of his great local influence, is a dangerous man to offend.

From the Herat direction it is reported that Hashim Khan is still in Bakwa, and that Abdul Wahab Khan has destroyed Ambia Khan's fort of Sujahchob.

A good deal of intrigue is going on between Ayub and Kabul tribes.

Simla, 8th July. It is reported from Muscat that Oman is generally disturbed from intertribal wars. A battle occurred between the Beni-Bu-Ali and Beni-Bu-Hassan, in which about 150 were kill-

SUPREME COURT.

YAN SZ v CHESTER. AN IMPORTANT CHARTER-PARTY CASE.

A case of some importance to shipping interests which has occupied the Supreme Court, sitting in Original Jurisdiction before the Acting Chief Justice, the Hon. F. Snowden, for some days, was concluded yesterday.

The plaintiffs in the suit, Yan Sz and another, trading under the style or firm of Hing Kee, brought an action against Captain Chester, master of the British steamer Midlothian, for damages on account of breach of a charter | right.

Mr. Hayllar, Q.C., instructed by Messrs. Dennys and Mossop, appeared for the plaintiffs, and the Attorney. General (Hon. E. L. O'Malley), instructed by Messrs. Brereton and Wot-

ton, for the defendant. From the statement set forth by Mr. Hayllar, and the examination of Mr. H. G. James, managing partner of Messrs. Geo. R. Stevens & Co., it appears that the Midlothian was under Co. of Singapore. Under that charter the vessel was ordered to load rice from Saigon to Hongkong in May last, and for the steamer. Next day (24th May), an answer was sent that the vessel could be chartered for passengers to Singapore and Penang for \$5,000, with five lay days, discharging according to custom of port, and requesting immediate reply. At Singapore, Wharfage charges amount to about 35 or 40 cents per ton of cargo, while at Penang there was no wharf to go to. At Hongkong, the stevedore's charges were to be defrayed by the charterers. On the 25th, the day the vessel arrived, telegram was received here from Singapore "Accept \$5,000, charterers paying stevedorage and wharfage." Telegraphic connection was then cut and communication ceased before the terms could be finally agreed upon with Singapore. Captain Chester | held written instructions as to what course to pursue in the event of telegraphic communication being interrupted, and on his being consulted he told Stevens & Ob. they might accept the plaintiff's offer. This was done verbally, and as soon as it was ascertained that communication was again restored a message was sent to Singapore, "Midlothian fixed, charterers' terms." On same day Stevens & Co. received from Singapore "Midlothian

It is said that the Dehzangri Haziras | Before the Midlothian left however, | tered in their midst.

In the mean time plaintiffs, on the

freight, and a wher of passeu_ gers; they hal money on the keep of the l and in various ways had been de of pocket. They lost the whole of these passengers who went by another steamer, and they now sued for the difference between the \$5,000 they were to pay, and the amount of freight and passages which had actually been taken.

Yan Sz, the plaintiff, stated that the freight for cargo actually obtained to go by the ship amounted to \$3,470, and fares for passengers to \$5,221, together amounting to \$8,691. He had had to pay \$605 for food for the passengers while they were waiting, and \$15 for advertising, making a total of \$9,311. Deducting from this som the charter money \$5,000, and other expenses he would have been put to had the charter been carried out, amounting to \$109; left a balance of

Captain Chester gave evidence generally in accordance with the above, and concluded by saying that he called at Messrs. Stevens & Co.'s, just before leaving, to say good bye to Mr. James. That gentleman said he was just writing, and asked Captain Chester to give him a note to make them (Stevens & Co.), right with McAlister & Co., adding "You are all right."

Captain Chester said he signed that note without looking at it properly, as he had no time. They had often to sign blank papers in agents' offices, and be looked upon an agent as a man of trust, especially if he said it was all

On the conclusion of the evidence both counsel addressed the bench for their respective clients at some length, and His Lordship in the mean while reserved judgment, no date being fixed.

In our issue of the 27th ultimo we announced that it was the intention of the congregation worshipping in the Cathedral at Shanghai, to present a testimonial to the Rev. C. G. Booth, a time charter to Messrs. McAlister & | chaplain to the Sailor's Home here, and Acting Garrison chaplain, in recognition of the services rendered by him while officiating for the very Rev. Messrs. Stevens & Co., on the day before | Dean Butcher. The testimonial has her expected arrival here, received a now been forwarded from Shanghai, telegram from McAlister & Co., asking | and we have much pleasure in publishthem if they could find employment | ing the letter which accompanied it, as well as Mr Booth's reply.

Shanghai, 29th July, 1881.

My dear Sir,—On behalf of the congregretion to whom you ministered in Holy Trinity Cathedral, I have the pleasure to present you with a cheque. which we hope you will kindly accept and buy therewith something which will serve pleasingly to remind you of your two months' services in Shanghai. I may tell you that the testimonial was restricted to your "hearers" only, and limited to a small subscription each. We felt that numbers would better express the meaning of the testimonial than money.

On the other side you will see a list of the congregation. With every good wish for the

My Dear Sir, Your's very faithfully, R. A. MOWAT.

The Rev. C. G. BOOTH, Hongkong.

(Appended were the signatures of all the leading members of the con-

Hongkong, August 4th, 1881. chartered Saigon Hongkong," and My dear Mr. Mowat, I cannot Captain Chester also received "Pro- | adequately express the feelings with ceed Saigon." Endeavours were then | which I received the letter written by made by wire to allow the Hong- you on behalf of the congregation of kong charter to stand good, and a the Holy Trinity Cathedral, together suggestion was made that the Nelson, | with its generous enclosure, nor my then at Singapore seeking, might thankfulness for the kindness that be substituted for the Midlothian in suggested the presentation of such a the Saigon charter, but without avail, mark of their esteem. As it is altogeand the final message was received ther undeserved by me, I can regard from Singapore "Midlothian chartered it only as another expression of that without authority, must proceed Sai- friendliness continuously exhibited gon"; and the vessel left for that port. | towards me during the time I minis-

That it should have been thought ner the time of my connection with the Cathedral, it having been of such short duration, caused me much surprise, and greatly increased the natural gratification with which a clergyman learns that he has won the regard of those amongst whom he has labored.

. I shall use the gift in the manner

you wish, but not because a token is necessary to remind me of my stay in Shanghai, for the sympathy afforded me by the congregation, and their extreme kindness made it a too happy time ever to be forgotten.

> 1 am. Very faithfully your's, C. G. BOOTH.

R. A. Mowat, Esq., Acting Chief Justice, Shanghai,

LATEST COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

Friday, August 5th, 1881. One o'clock P.M.

Yesterday afternoon witnessed. quite a large amount of business transacted in various stocks, most of it, however, being of a speculative character. The first blow was struck in the Dock Company's stock, which has lately been in a bad way, and although not a single share, so far as our researches could discover, changed hands for cash, time bargains at 53 premium for the end of the month, were both numerous and important. It would be difficult to exactly define the cash status of Docks, so that our quotation 53 % premium, sellers, must be understood to be merely nominal. Banks continue weaker, as they naturally would do after the great rush of last week, although there are no tangible reasons from a business point of view, why they should have declined even two points. The shares are now offered at 115, and for cash we believe that offers would be closed with at a lower rate; although it is right to add that nothing worth mentioning has actually been done. The most important transactions have been in connection with Sugars, a very large amount of transfers for the end of the month having been booked at \$160 per share. Hotels are on offer at 110 without finding purchasers; and Steamboats are still quoted at the old rate, \$26 per share premium, ex. div.

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Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Shares -115 per cent. premium, Sellers.

Union Insurance Society of Canton— \$1,675 per share ex dividend. China Traders' Insurance Company's

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August 4, Esperance, French bark, 272, Lo Normon, Nowchwang 25th July, Beans.—Captain.

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from Canton. August 4, Hai-chong-ching, Chinese

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DEPARTURES.

August 4, Hindoo, German bark, for Newchwang. August 4, Hoihow, British steamer, for

Canton. August 4, Verona, British steamer, for

London and ports of call. August 4, Hwai-yuen, Chinese steamer, for Canton.

August 5, Antonio, British steamer, for Shanghai. August 5, Hai-chong-ching, Chinese

gunboat, for a cruise.

PASSENGERS.

Per Foochow, British steamer, from Chinkiang, 5 Chinese.

Per Minerva, German brig, from Quinhong, 35 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Foochow from Chinking, reports strong S.W. winds and clear weather throughout. On Monday 1st August passed a waterlogged vessel, rounded to, to see what she was, found her to be an American built vessel breaking up; with two anchors down and her sides adrift from the stern post. She is in a very dangerous position being right in the track of vessels bound from Tychow Islands to Pih Kishan Islands; found that we could not tow her out of vessels' tracks and had to leave her. She is in long. 121° 50' E. lat. 28° 17' N.

MAILS.

The following mails will close:-To-day, 5th August,—

For Shanghai, per Amoy, at 1.30 p.m. For Straits, Colombo, Bombay, Aden, via Trieste, per Hungaria at 3.30 p.m. For Manila, per Esmeralda, at 3.30 p.m. For Shanghai, per Paladin, at 3.30 p.m. For Nagasaki and Yokohama, per Malacca, at 5 p.m.

To-morrow, 6th August,— For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, por Thales, at 5 p.m.

On Sunday, 7th August,— For Saigon, per Penedo, at 9 a.m. On Monday, 8th August,—

For Manila, Maianar, Sourabaya, Samarang and Batavir per Atjeh, at 11.30 a.m. For B. gkok, per Danube, at 3.30 p.m.

SHANGHAI.

(N. C. Daily News)

Messers. Douglas Lapraik and Co. have chartered the new boat Anjer Head from her owners, Messrs. Anjier Brothers, for twelve months, for service on the China Coats. She was to leave Cardiff, with coals for Singapore and Hongkong about the second week in July.

On the 15th June Reuter telegraphed that the negroes had massacred a thousand Chinese in Chili. We ventured at the time to express the opinion that Chili was a mistake for Peru, and in the papers that arrived this morning we find intelligence from Valparaiso to the 16th June reported that the negroes from the neighbourhood of Cauete, Peru, massacred a thousand Chinese near Santa Rosa. The Chinese made a brave defence, but were overpowered, owing to their provisions and ammunition failing.

We hear that O. N. Denny, Esq., United States Consul-General at this port, leaves on Saturday for Pootoo. where he intends to make a lengthened stay. Last evening about thirty passengers were booked for the trip to the Sacred Isle.

Gold in China.

Discoveries of gold seem to be increasing, and in the Far East the precious metal is found in many places. Ceylon has recently developed a store of it, and now from Foochow therecomes a report of exceedingly valuable finds. It appears that after the departure of Mr. Malsch, who was prospecting for iron ore, the Chinese washed out the dirt in the holes he had dug, and found gold in a very fair proportion. Naturally-much excitement ensued, and but for the acting of the | for the Charente-Inférieure, and be-Government, long ere this, large num- came Minister of the Interior, June 2, bers of natives would have been engaged in the work of collecting. As it is, however, the authorities neither allow their subjects to indulge in gold mining nor avail themselves of the rich prospect. What their object is in thus summarily putting a stop to the operations is best known to themselves, but it does seem a peculiar thing to | and many of the constitutional states. do, if the report is accurate. One would | men of France. When elected to the have thought that by this time the very antiquated prejudices had died chosen by that body to announce M. out when the increase of revenue was concerned, especially at a time when an addition to the finances would be by no means undesirable. Even if the gold mines were worked under Government supervision it would be better than their not being worked at all, or some steps might be taken to arrive at a definite conclusion as to whether there was in reality a paying amount of the metal. No harm at any rate could be done by permitting the work to go on, but it takes the Chinese a long time to move out of their old grooves, even when it is for the benefit of themselves. They are a contented people, and are quite satisfied to remain behind hand, although they have awoke to the necessity for having modern weapons of destruction. The arts of peace have not yet been rightly estimated. Perhaps one day they may | Minister of Justice under M. Buffet's be, and then the hidden wealth of the country will be brought to light. It is sad to see such apathy when ordinary energy could do so much.—London and China Express.

Chinese Cheap Labour.

The St. James's Gazette says: The hostility of the Australians to the Chinese is an exact counterpart of the American hatred of them. Chinese, labour is extremely cheap, and Chinese habits are very odious. The former is doubtless the greater offence of the two: and we are afraid that all the lecturors alive would fail to persuade the turning back actual riches from their | Dufaure in Dec. 1877.

Undeniable it may be that "every Chinaman who disembarked a couple of months ago at Sydney was ana ddition to the wealth of the colony, which all he may a few years hence take out of it will not half or a tent part cover." But the melancholy unevadable truth is that all this appears to the people of New South Wales as so much professorial cant—in effect, little better than the contention that "the best justification of the British dominion in Australia is that the English race is acting as trustee for the benefit of humanity." In Australia, as in America, the mastery is with the many; and we may rely upon it that the largest language about trusteeship for the benefit of humanity, and the closest argument drawn from the principles of free trade, will equally fail to convince the working man in New South Wales, that he ought to let in the Chinese to underbid him in the labour market. The same arguments which have resolved the Americans to be rid of the Chinese will prevail with the Australians; and we doubt not that should the Celestials flock into England they will meet with the same objections from our own miners and mill-hands.

M. Jules Dufaure, the eminent French statesman, and late President of the Council of Ministers, whose death is announced in the Paris journals of June 27th, has for nearly fifty years borne a prominent part in the political history of his country. The following abridged sketch of his life and works, is taken from "Men of the Times:"—

DUFAURE JULES - ARMAND - STANISLAS, advocate and politician, born Dec. 4, 1798, at Saujon, Charente-Inférieure, was educated for the bar, and practised at Bordeaux. He entered political life in 1834, and under the Guizot ministry became a Councillor of State, and afterwards Minister of Public Works. On the rejection of the law of dotation, he quitted the cabinet and was one of the Liberal opposition. After the revolution of Feb., 1848, he was elected 1849. When the President resolved to usurp the whole power of the state, M. Dufaure was one of the representatives who escaped seizure and imprisonment. M. Dufaure having always supported the cause of law and order, opposed the coup d'etat, against which he protested with M. de Tocqueville Academy, M. St.-Marc-Girardin was Dufaure's election to the emperor. His Majesty received him most graciously, and said that, although M. Dufaure was not among the number of his supporters, he altogether approved the choice of the Academy, and he should never forget the services rendered by M. Dufaure at the time of the Presidency. During the prosecution of the Count of Montalembert, in 1862, M. Dufaure defended the publisher of his pamphlet with great skill and eloquence. After the fall of the empire he was returned to the National Assembly by the department of Charente-Inférieure and when M. Thiers formed his government in Feb., 1871, he selected M. Dufaure as Minister of Justice. On the overthrow of M. Thiers's government in May, 1873, M. Dufauro went out of office. He again became administration in March, 1875. At the senatorial elections of Jan. 30, 1876, M. Buffet did not succeed in getting elected for his department, where the Bonapartist list was carried; but in the following month he was returned as deputy from the arrondissement of Marennes. The result of the legislative elections was so hostile to M. Buffet, that he retired from office, and M. Dufaure then, at the request of the Marshal President, formed a cabinet more in accord with the opinion manifested by the nation. In Aug., 1876, he was elected a Senator for Life in succession to the late M. Casimir working mon in Australia, or even 💢 Périer. On Dec. 1, 1876, the Ministry England (and the Chinese are expected | suffered a defeat in the Senate, and M. here too), that it is no offence at all, but | Buffet with all the members of his a blessing and a benefit. It may be cabinet retired from office on the folthat "the Australians, in turning back | lowing day. A new, ministry was the tide of Chinese immigration, are formed under the presidency of M.

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China Conquest	_ 1		Ackermann Hamlin	German British		Siemssen & Co. Shun Hang Hong.
Danube	†	July 27	Clanchy	British	561	Yuen Fat Hong
Esmeralda Electra		(.)	Talbot R. Kalıme	British German		Russell & Co. Siemssen & Co,
Fame Foochow	3		A. Stopani Clegg	British British		H. K. & W. Dock Co. Butterfield & Swire.
Hailoong Heron Hungaria	*	May 21	Hunter Bunje Stork	British British Austrian	55	D. Lapraik & Co. Captain Conner Melchers & Co.
Japan	3	Aug. 1	Gardner	British	1865	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
Lennox	3	Aug. 2	Scott	British	1327	Jardine, Matheson & Co
Malacca	3	Aug. 2	H. Weighill	British	1045	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Namoa Norden	1	Aug. 2 July 30	Westoby Rasmussen	British Danish		D. Lapraik & Co. Siemssen & Co.
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Yee-Tay	1	July 7	Lee Tung Tuk	Annamese	1200	Captain.
Zambesi	2	Aug. 4	Symons	British	2432	P. & O. S. N. Co.
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Sailing Vessels.

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